

1 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

2 DIVISION OF ANIMAL HEALTH

3 (Emergency Regulation)

4 302 KAR 20:140E. Breeding shed for female equines.

5 RELATES TO: KRS 257.070

6 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 257.030

7 NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: To establish the necessary requirements to  
8 allow female equine over 731 days of age to enter a breeding shed in Kentucky.

Section 1. Definitions. As used in this administrative regulation, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

- (1) "Breeding" or "Bred" means the natural covering of a mare.
- (2) "CF test" means a complement-fixation test on equine serum for the detection of specific antibodies to the CEM bacterium.
- (3) "Set of swabs" means a culture from the clitoral sinus and clitoral fossa.
- (4) "Maiden mare" means a female equine over 731 days of age that has not been covered by a stallion.
- (5) "Cleansing of a stallion" means the thorough washing of the external genitalia of the stallion using warm water with the penis in full erection.

Section 2. Maiden mares over 731 days of age at the time of importation coming from any country outside the continental United States, its territories, possessions, or Canada will be required to have two sets of negative swabs with a minimum of 72 hours between the swabs being obtained. One of the two sets of swabs shall include a swab collected from the endometrium. Imported maiden mares bred in Kentucky will be prophylactically scrubbed and bred last of any group of mares bred during that session. The external genitalia of the covering stallion shall be adequately cleansed as prescribed after the breeding.

- (1) The next three mares bred to the same stallion after the imported mare shall have a blood sample collected and submitted for CF testing 15 to 25 days postbreeding. Included with the submission of the sample shall be the name of the imported mare that the mare being tested followed, as well as the name of the covering stallion, date, and time bred.

(2) It shall be the responsibility of the farm where the stallion is standing to notify the owner or agent of the three mares bred to the same stallion following an imported mare that a postbreeding CF test is required.

(3) The farm where the stallion is standing shall also notify the Kentucky State Veterinarian and provide the name, breeding date, time, and location of the imported mare covered as well as the name, breeding date, time, and location of the three mares bred to the same stallion following the imported mare.

Section 3. Mares over 731 days of age imported from any country outside the continental United States, its territories, possessions, or Canada that are not listed in the Code of Federal Regulations as being affected with CEM shall have two negative sets of swabs with a minimum of 72 hours elapsing between the swabs being obtained. Prior to being bred, a swab shall be collected from the endometrium and tested negative for CEM. This swab may be included with either of the required sets, or in the case of a pregnant mare, this swab may be collected after foaling. Imported mares, addressed in this section, bred in Kentucky will be prophylactically scrubbed and bred last of any group of mares bred during that session. The covering stallion shall be adequately cleansed as prescribed after breeding.

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Section 4. Mares, other than maidens, over 731 days of age imported from countries listed in the Code of Federal Regulations as being affected with CEM are required to be handled in accordance with 302 KAR 20:110.